

22. (NEW) A method according to claim 21 wherein the target and surrounding tissues are heated by the heating of at least the surrounding tissues by substantially the same amount.

23. (NEW) A method according to any of claims 3-20 wherein the target is hair.

24. (NEW) A method according to any of claims 3-20 wherein the treatment is a dermatological treatment of the target area.

25. (NEW) Apparatus for heating of a target surrounded by surrounding tissue, comprising:

(a) a first source of energy adapted to heat at least tissue surrounding the target to a first temperature above normal body temperature; and

(b) a second source of energy adapted to selectively heat the target to a second higher temperature.

26. (NEW) Apparatus according to claim 25 wherein the first source of energy is also adapted to heat the target.

27. (NEW) Apparatus according to claim 26 wherein the first source of energy is adapted to heat the target and the surrounding tissue by substantially a same amount.

REMARKS

The application now contains new claims 3-27. Claims 1 and 2 are cancelled.

A marked-up version of the amendments is attached.

An action on the merits for the new claims is respectfully awaited.

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Marked-up version of amendments:

In the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 1:

--Figs. 12 -14 are schematic isometric views of three differently shaped extenders useful for hair removal or photothermolysis when used with the apparatus of Fig. [12] 11; and--

In the paragraph starting page 26 line 10:

--Reference is now made to Figs. 12 -14 which are schematic isometric views of three differently shaped extenders 265, 267 and 269 useful for performing photothermolysis or hair removal when used with the apparatus 200 of Fig. 11. Fig. 12 illustrates an extender 265 having a rectangular aperture 275. Fig. 13 illustrates an extender 267 having an ellipsoidal aperture 277. Fig. 14 illustrates an extender 269 having a circular aperture 279. Each of the extenders 265, 267 and 269 may be used with the apparatus 200 for photothermolytic treatment of various skin regions.--